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# St Marys Entrance - Cumberland Sound and Kings Bay (NOAA Chart 11503)



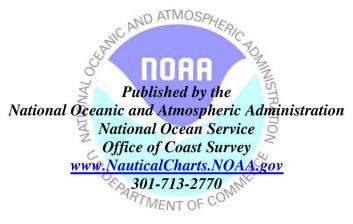
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# What are Nautical Charts?

Nautical charts are a fundamental tool of marine navigation. They show water depths, obstructions, buoys, other aids to navigation, and much more. The information is shown in a way that promotes safe and efficient navigation. Chart carriage is mandatory on the commercial ships that carry America's commerce. They are also used on every Navy and Coast Guard ship, fishing and passenger vessels, and are widely carried by recreational boaters.

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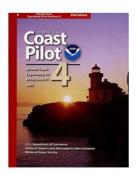
This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

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# **Notice to Mariners Correction Status**

This BookletChart has been updated for chart corrections published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency Weekly Notice to Mariners, and, where applicable, the Canadian Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. Additional chart corrections have been made by NOAA in advance of their publication in a Notice to Mariners. The last Notices to Mariners applied to this chart are listed in the Note at the bottom of page 7. Coast Pilot excerpts are not being corrected.



[Coast Pilot 4, Chapter 8 excerpts] (183) St. Marys Entrance and Cumberland Sound. The sound is the approach to the city of Fernandina Beach, the city of St. Marys, the Naval submarine support base in Kings Bay, and an inland passage to St. Andrew Sound.

(185) **Amelia Island Light** (30°40'24"N., 81°26'30"W.), 107 feet above the water, is shown from a 64-foot white conical tower 2 miles south of the entrance to Cumberland Sound. A lighted 1,500-foot fishing pier at the

inner end of the south jetty is prominent. The smoke from the stacks of the paper companies at Fernandina Beach and St. Marys make them visible from all directions.

(186) Fort Clinch is a State Park, museum and recreation area. The old fort and a large red brick building near the inshore end of the south jetty are conspicuous. Camping facilities and a small-craft launching ramp are

at the northwest end of the island on the east side of the channel to Fernandina Harbor.

(188) A federal project provides a depth of 46 feet in the entrance channel, thence 42 feet northward through Cumberland Sound to two turning basins of the same depth in Kings Bay. Turning basins are located on the north and south sides of the entrance channel, 1.7 miles above the jetties, and have depths of 42 feet. A channel leads from inside the bar southward in **Amelia River** with a depth of 36 feet to a turning basin; thence 35 feet through the turning basin; thence 28 feet to a turning basin off Rayonier Wharf, 5.8 miles above the jetties. The project above Seaboard Reach was no longer maintained.

(189) The entrance to **Cumberland Sound** is between two stone jetties. The jetties are to be in poor condition with both almost entirely submerged at mean high water. The north jetty is marked by a lighted buoy and the south jetty is marked by an unlighted buoy. Both jetties are marked on their outer sides by unlighted buoys, and on the inner sides by daybeacons. Each unlighted buoy is a white can with orange bands near the top and waterline and the word "Jetty" in an orange diamond. The diamond-shaped white daybeacons have the words "Danger Submerged Jetty." Mariners are advised to exercise caution in this area, as the jetties are a menace to navigation when visibility is limited. Currents are strong off the ends of the jetties.

(190) St. Marys Approach Lighted Buoy STM (30°42'54"N., 81°14'39"W.) is 8.2 miles eastward of St. Marys Entrance. The channel through the bar and inside the sound are marked with lighted ranges, lights, and lighted buoys.

(191) Fishing vessels going northward out of the sound use the natural channel off the north jetty. Strangers are warned against using it as there is danger of being set into the end of the jetty.

(193) The tidal currents at the entrance have considerable velocity and are dangerous at times, especially on the flood which sets northwestward and on the ebb which sets southeastward except during northeast winds when there is a strong southerly set off the end of the jetties on both tides. This set attains a velocity exceeding 5 knots. Maximum current velocities are 2.0 to 3.9 knots in St. Marys Entrance and 1.0 to 2.5 knots in the Cumberland Sound channel.

(218) **Beach Creek**. 2 feet was at the entrance, and the creek dried 0.2 mile below Dungeness.

(220) A **safety/security zone** has been established in Kings Bay. (221) A **regulated navigation area** has been established in Cumberland Sound in the vicinity of Kings Bay.

(222) **St. Marys River** is used by fishermen and tugs. The depth in the channel is 14 feet. Above St. Marys a vessel with a draft of 10 feet or less should have little difficulty going as far as Kings Ferry on a rising tide. The river is crooked and the turns are sharp. **Caution** is advised when entering the river, especially in late afternoon, as the indefinite shorelines make the unmarked channel in the first reach difficult to negotiate. Unpredictable currents have been reported in the entrance to the river, at the junctions with **Jolly** and **North Rivers**, and along the piers at St. Marys.

(223) Route 17 bridge at Wilds Landing, 20 miles above the mouth of the river, has a clearance of 5 feet. The Railroad bridge just upstream has a clearance of 5 feet.

(224) **St. Marys**. The larger wharves have depths of 13 feet alongside. Diesel fuel and water are available. Strong currents, the large tidal range, and the exposure to winds from all but north make mooring at these wharves hazardous for strangers.

(225) A good haven for small vessels, particularly in northeasterly weather, can be found at St. Marys. Small craft can obtain refuge in bad weather by anchoring near the pulp mill 1 mile up North River or near the bridges 16 miles above St. Marys on the St. Marys River. (226) **North River**; a draft of 7 feet could be carried to the pulpmill dock

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(227) **Bells River**; the depth was 4 feet. **Chester** has a number of small docks which were in ruins.

(228) **Jolly River**; the reported controlling depth was 7 feet.

# **Table of Selected Chart Notes**

Corrected through NM Jan. 27/07 Corrected through LNM Jan. 23/07

#### HEIGHTS

Heights in feet above Mean High Water.

PLANE COORDINATE GRID
(based on NAD 1927)
Georgia State Grid, east zone, is indicated on this chart at 10,000 foot intervals.

#### AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Consult U.S. Coast Guard Light List for supplemental information concerning aids to navigation.

#### WARNING

The prudent marine will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

#### RADAR REFLECTORS

Radar reflectors have been placed on many floating aids to navigation. Individual radar reflector identification on these aids has been omitted from this chart.

For Symbols and Abbreviations see Chart No. 1

# SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Consult U.S. Coast Pilot 4 for important supplemental information.

# CAUTION

Improved channels shown by broken lines are subject to shoaling, particularly at the edges.

#### CAUTION

Limitations on the use of radio signals as Limitations on the use of radio signals as aids to marine navigation can be found in the U.S. Coast Guard Light Lists and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Publication 117. Radio direction-finder bearings to commercial broadcasting stations are subject to error and should be used with caution.

Station positions are shown thus:

()(Accurate location) o(Approximate location)

NOAA WEATHER RADIO BROADCASTS
The NOAA Weather Radio stations listed The NOAA Weather Radio stations listed below provide continuous weather broadcasts. The reception range is typically 20 to 40 nautical miles from the antenna site, but can be as much as 100 nautical miles for stations at high elevations.

Jacksonville, FL KHB-39 Waycross, GA Brunswick, GA WWH-39 162,425 MHz

Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Local Notice to Mariners.

# POLLUTION REPORTS

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# HORIZONTAL DATUM

The horizontal reference datum of this chart is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), which for charting purposes is considered equivalent to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84), Geographic positions referred to the North American Datum of 1927 must be corrected an average of 0.854" northward and 0.659" eastward to agree with this chart.

# SUBMARINE PIPELINES AND CABLES

Charted submarine pipelines and submarine cables and submarine pipeline and cable areas are shown as:

Additional uncharted submarine pipelines and Additional uncharted submarine pipelines and submarine cables may exist within the area of this chart. Not all submarine pipelines and submarine cables are required to be buried, and those that were originally buried may have those that were originally buried may have become exposed. Mariners should use extreme caution when operating vessels in depths of water comparable to their draft in areas where pipelines and cables may exist, and when anchoring, dragging, or trawling.

Covered wells may be marked by lighted or unlighted buyors.

INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY
The project depth from St. Simons Sound, Ga., to
Fernandina Beach, Fla., is 12 feet.
The controlling depths are published periodically
in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners.

Additional information can be obtained at nauticalcharts.noaa.gov

# SOURCE DIAGRAM

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The outlined areas represent the limits of the most recent hydrographic survey information that has been evaluated for charting. Surveys have been banded in this diagram by date and type of survey. Channels maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are periodically resurveyed and are not shown on this diagram. Refer to Chapter 1, United States Coast Pilot.

# SEDIMENT TRAPS

Sediment traps are designed to delay shoaling of the navigable portion of a channel by trapping advancing littoral material. Sediment traps may shoal at a rapid rate spilling over into the adjacent navigation channel, therefore, mariners should exercise caution when operating near them

# HURRICANES AND TROPICAL STORMS

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Hurricanes, tropical storms and other major storms may cause considerable damage to marine structures, aids to navigation and moored vessels, resulting in submerged debris in unknown locations.
Charted soundrings, channel depths and shoreline may not reflect actual conditions following these storms. Fixed aids to navigation may have been damaged or destroyed. Buoys may have been moved from their charted positions, damaged, sunk, extinguished or otherwise made inoperative. Mariners should not rely upon the position or operation of an aid to navigation. Wrecks and submerged obstructions may have been displaced from charted locations. Pipelines may have become uncovered or moved. Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution and are requested to report aids to navigation discrepancies and hazards to navigation to the nearest United States Coast Guard unit.

#### AUTHORITIES

Hydrography and topography by the National Ocean Service, Coast Survey, with additional data from the Corps of Engineers, Geological Survey, U.S. Coast Guard, and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency.

# NOTE B RECOMMENDED TWO-WAY WHALE AVOIDANCE ROUTE

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The two-way route shown on this chart is RECOMMENDED for use by all vessels traveling into or out of Fernandina Beach. This routing has been established to reduce the likelihood of ship strikes of endangered North Atlantic right whales. Mariners are warned that some vessels might not be able to keep to the starboard side of the route at all times. CAUTION: Full bottom coverage surveys have not been conducted within the entire route, so uncharted dangers may exist. See Source Diagram and Chapter 1, U.S. Coast Pilot.

COLREGS: International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972.

Demarcation lines are shown thus: ————

NORTHERN RIGHT WHALE CRITICAL HABITAT (precautionary area: 50 CFR 226.203c, 224.103c; see note A)

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# NOTE X

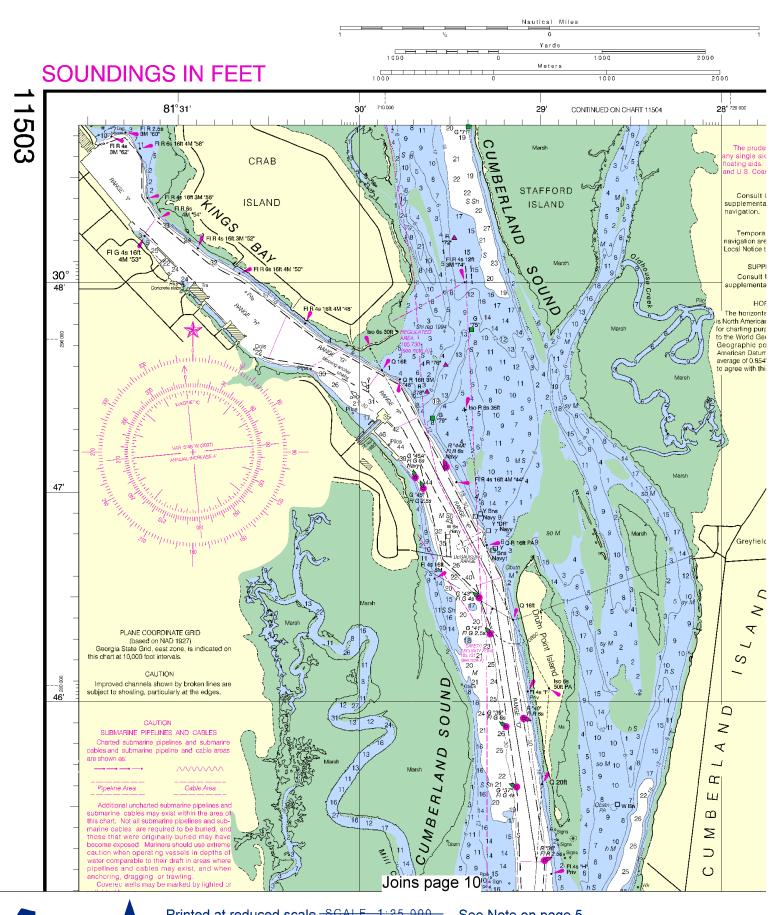
NOTE X

Within the 12-nautical mile Territorial Sea, established by Presidential Proclamation, some Federal laws apply. The Three Nautical Mile Line, previously identified as the outer limit of the territorial sea, is retained as it continues to depict the jurisdictional limit of the other laws. The 9-nautical mile Natural Resource Boundary off the Gulf coast of Florida, Texas, and Puerds Rico, and the Three Nautical Mile Line elsewhere remain in most cases the inner limit of Federal fisheries jurisdiction and the outer limit of the jurisdiction of the states. The 24-nautical mile Contiguous Zone and the 200-nautical mile Exclusive Economic Zone were established by Presidential Proclamation. Unless fixed by treaty or the U.S. Supreme Court, these maritime limits are subject to modification.

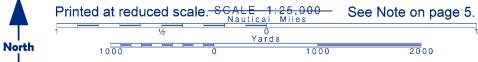
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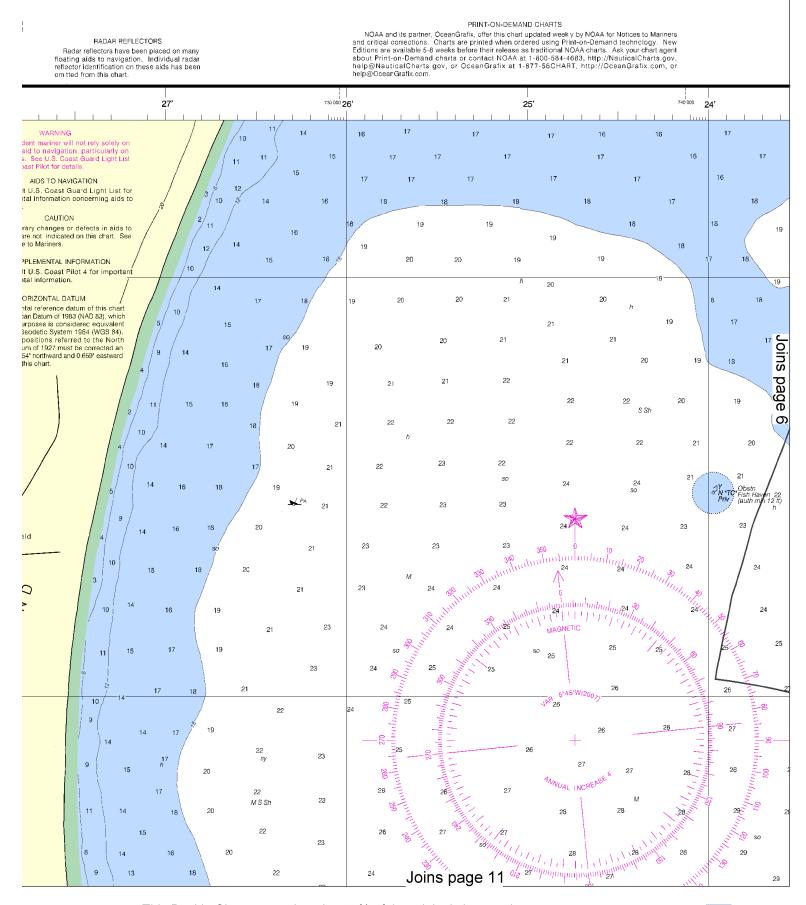
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21. Wreck, rock, obstruction, or shoal swept clear to the depth indicated
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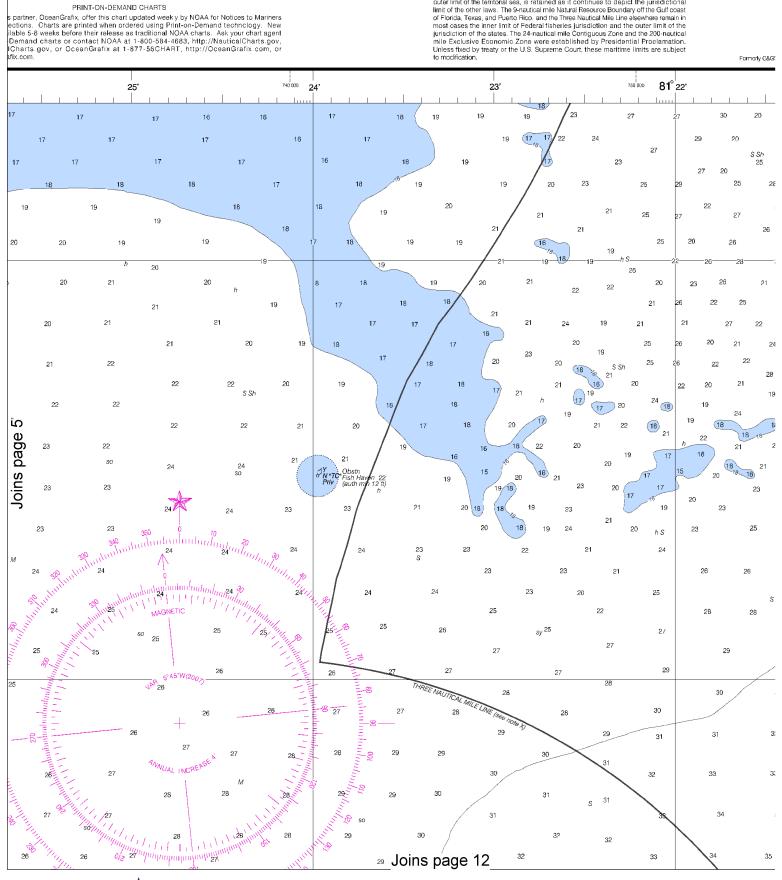




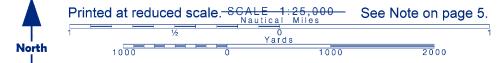
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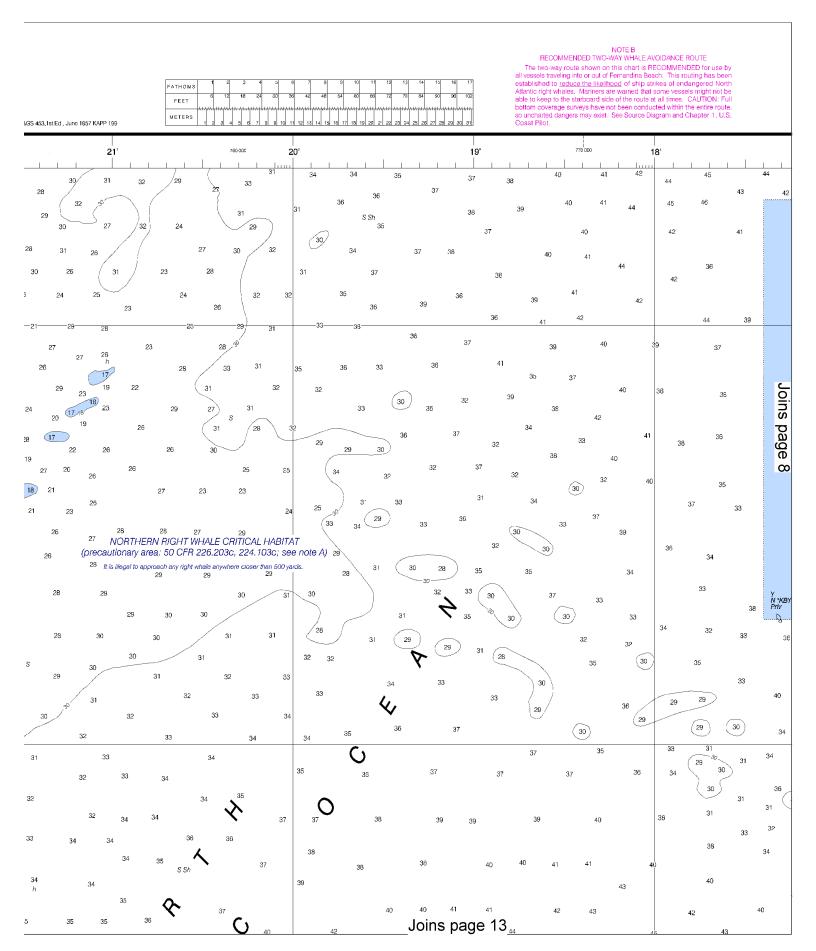
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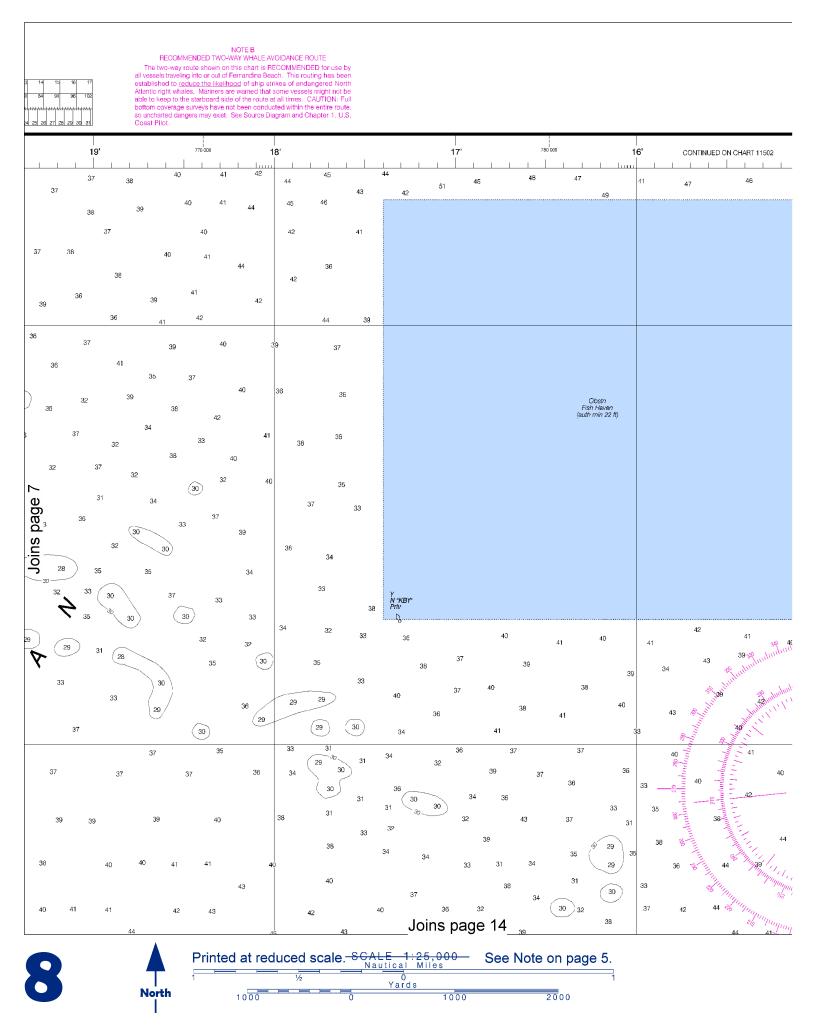
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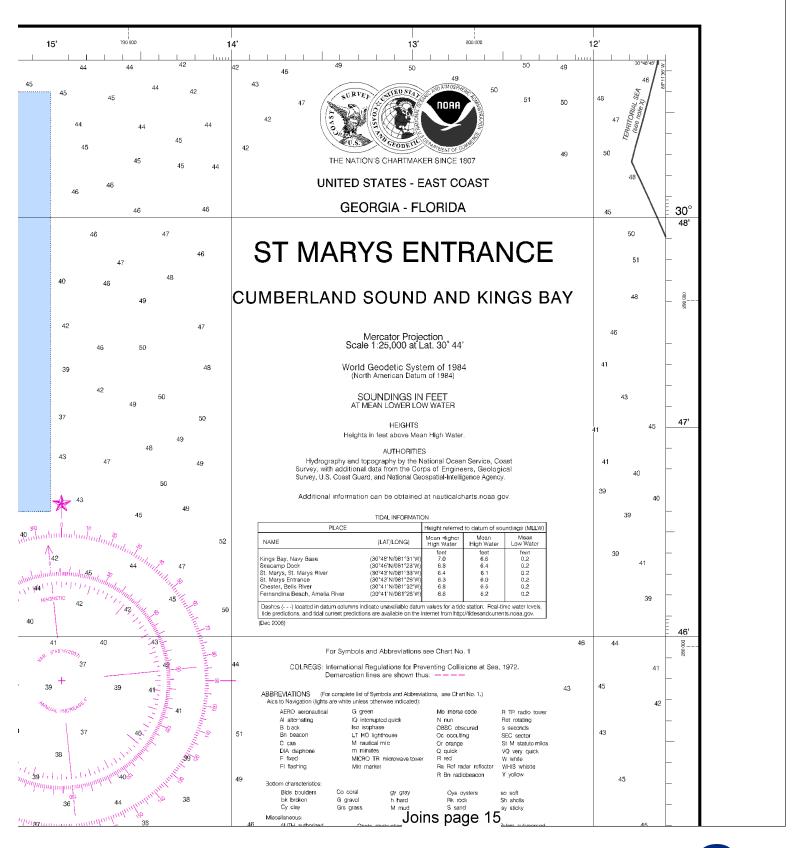


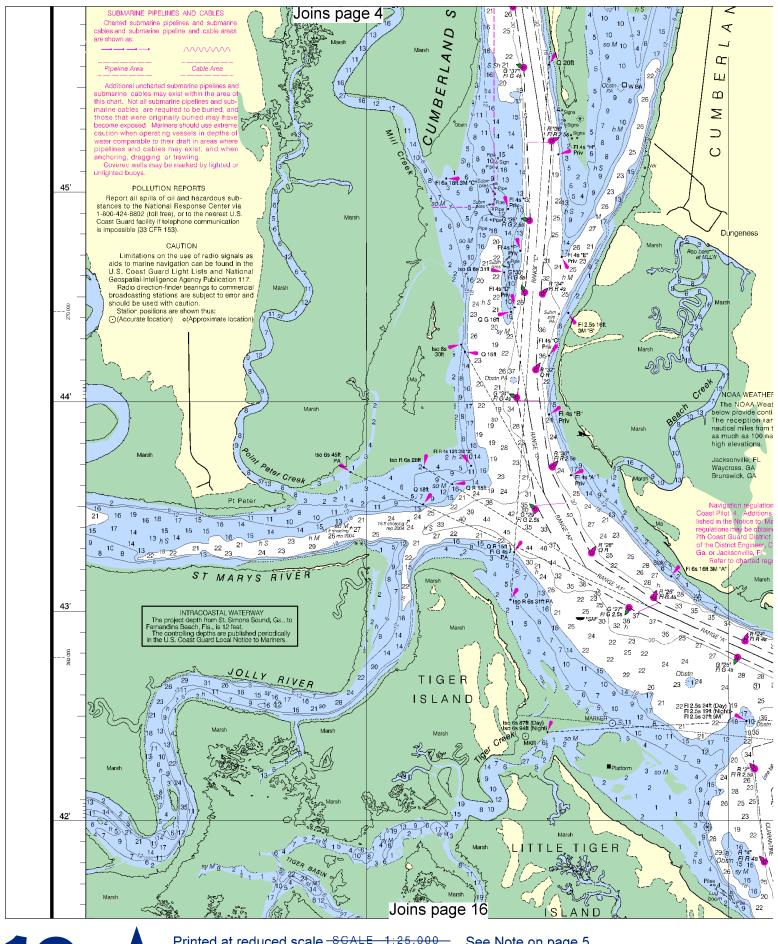




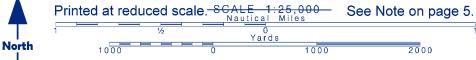


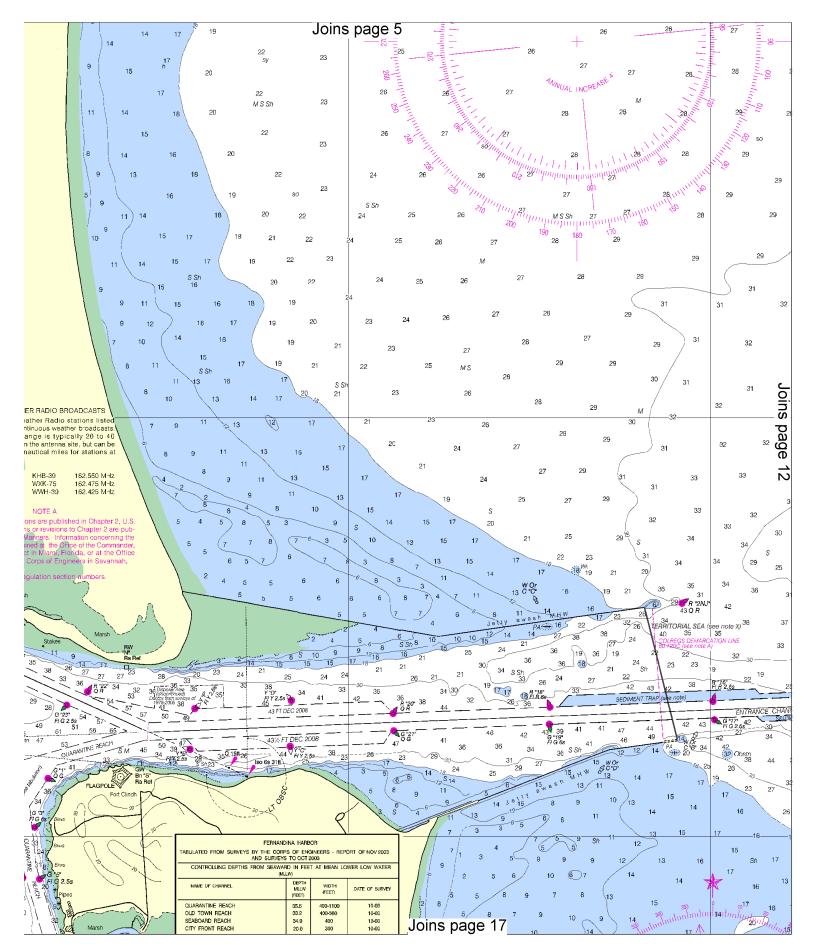


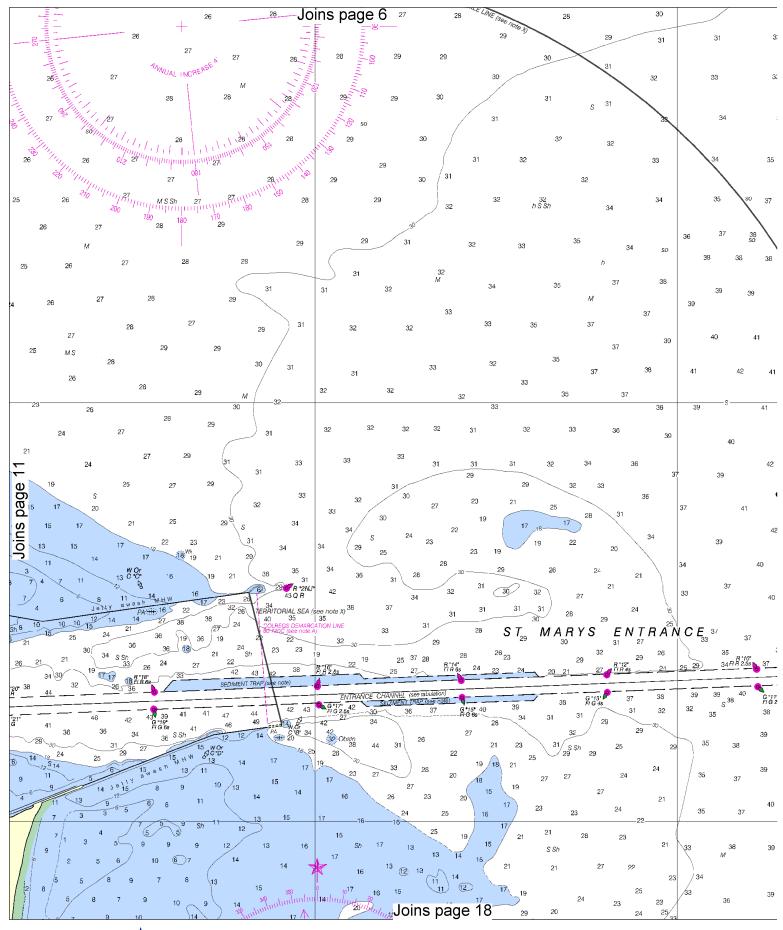




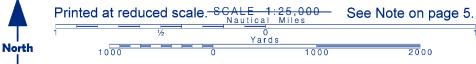


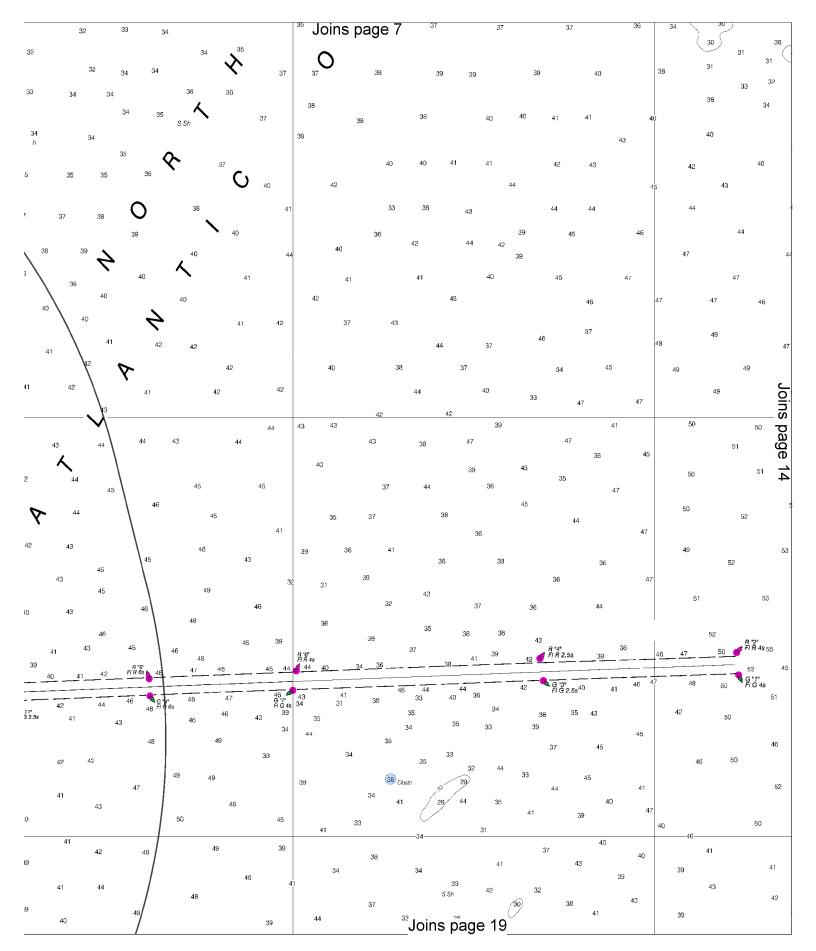


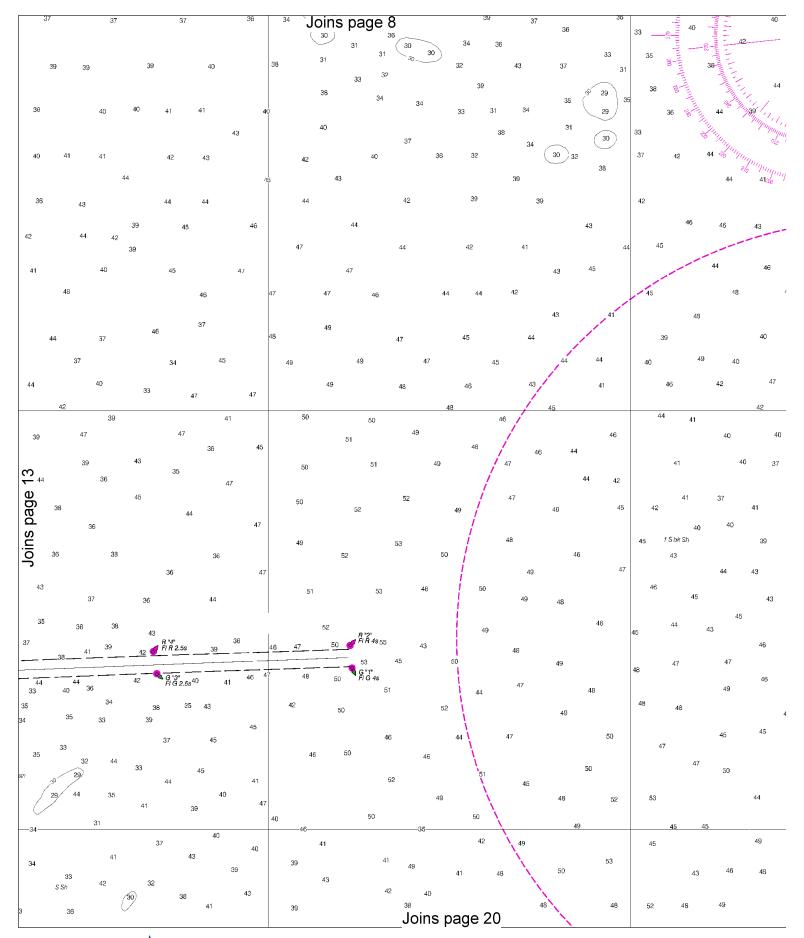




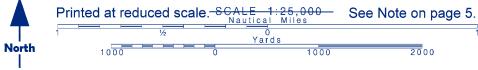


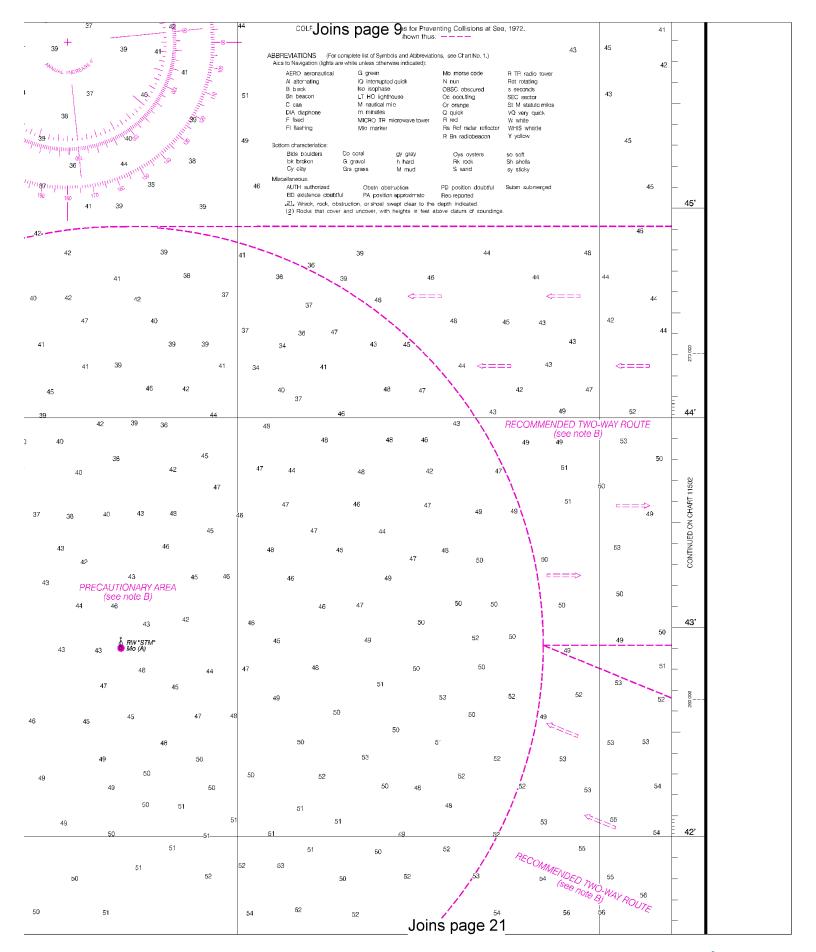


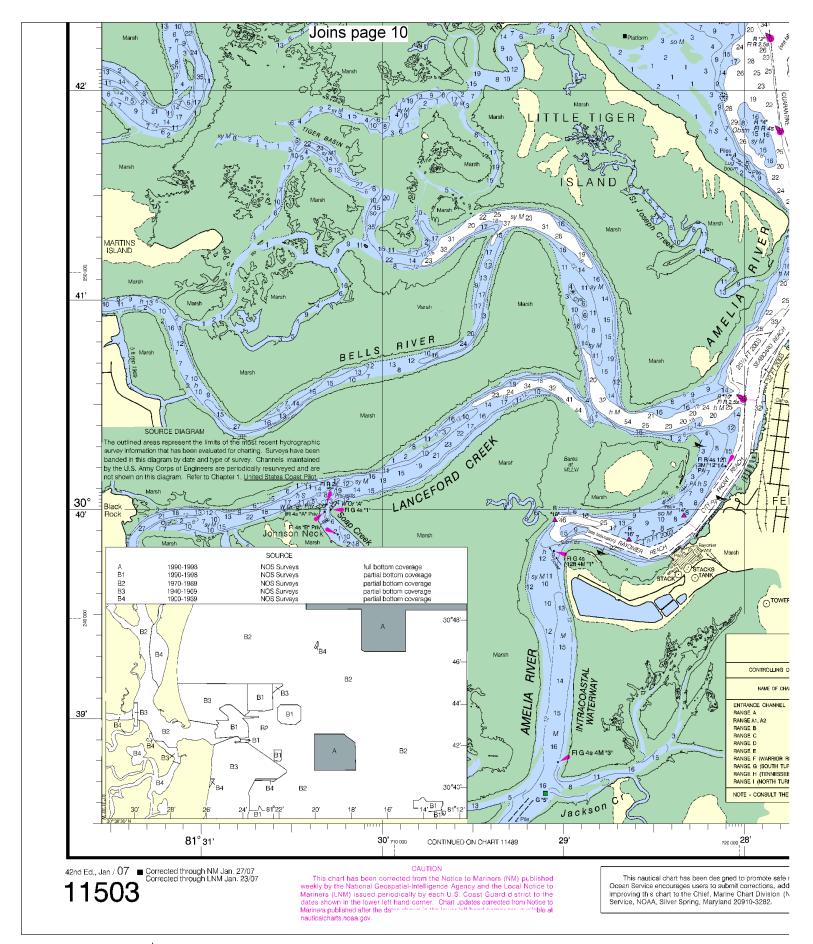






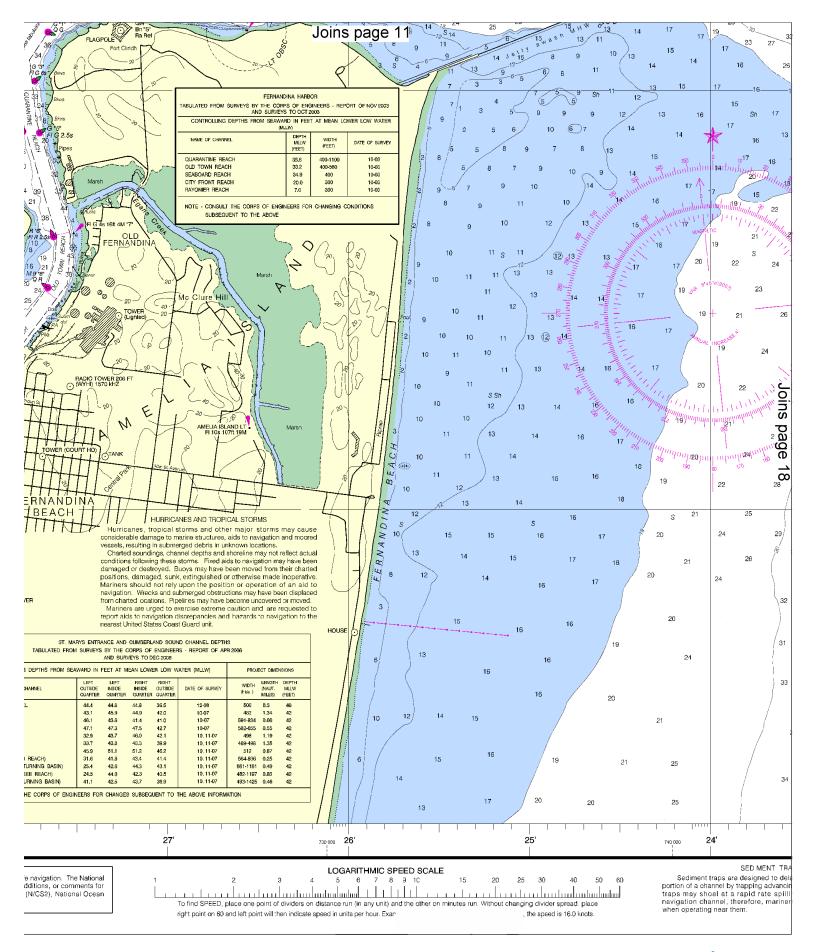


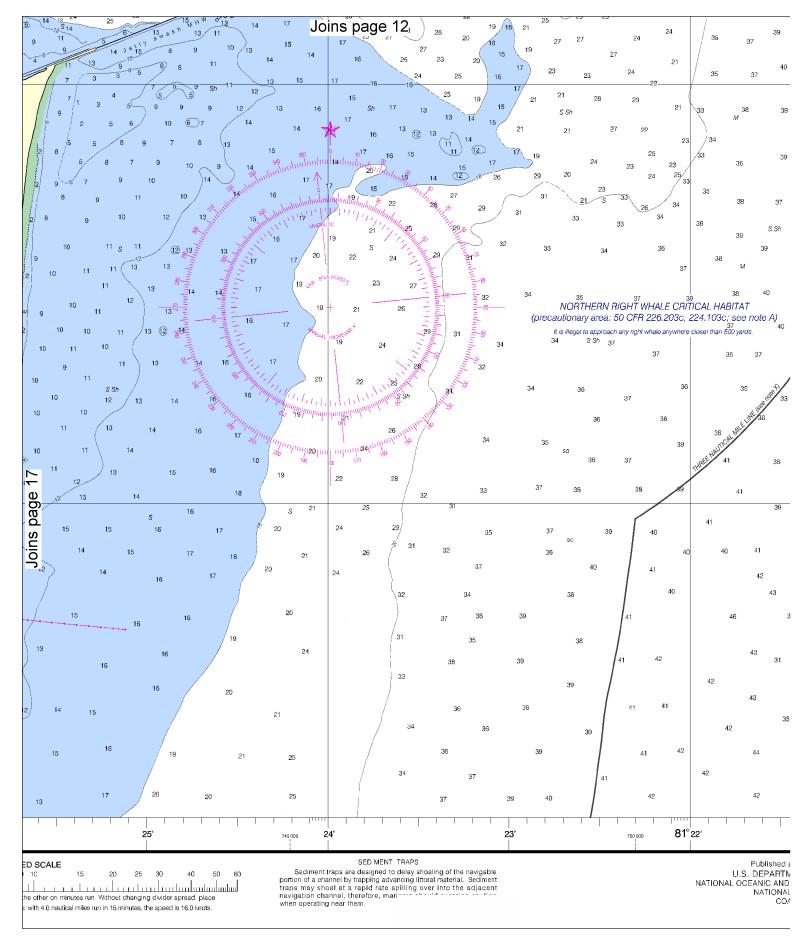






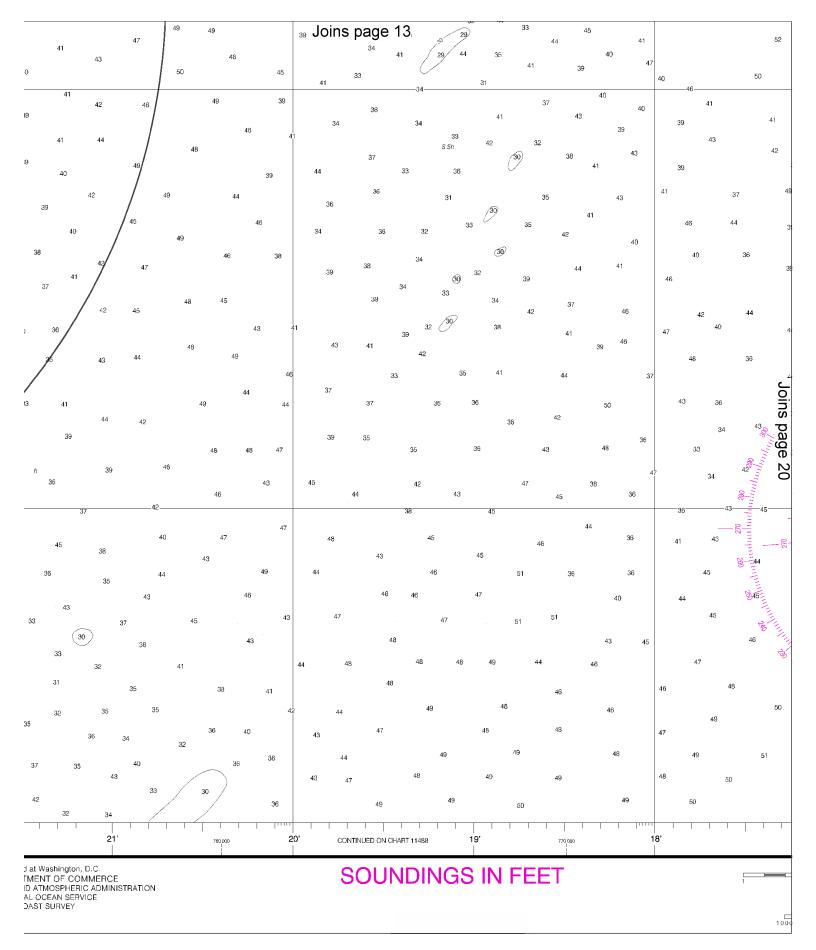


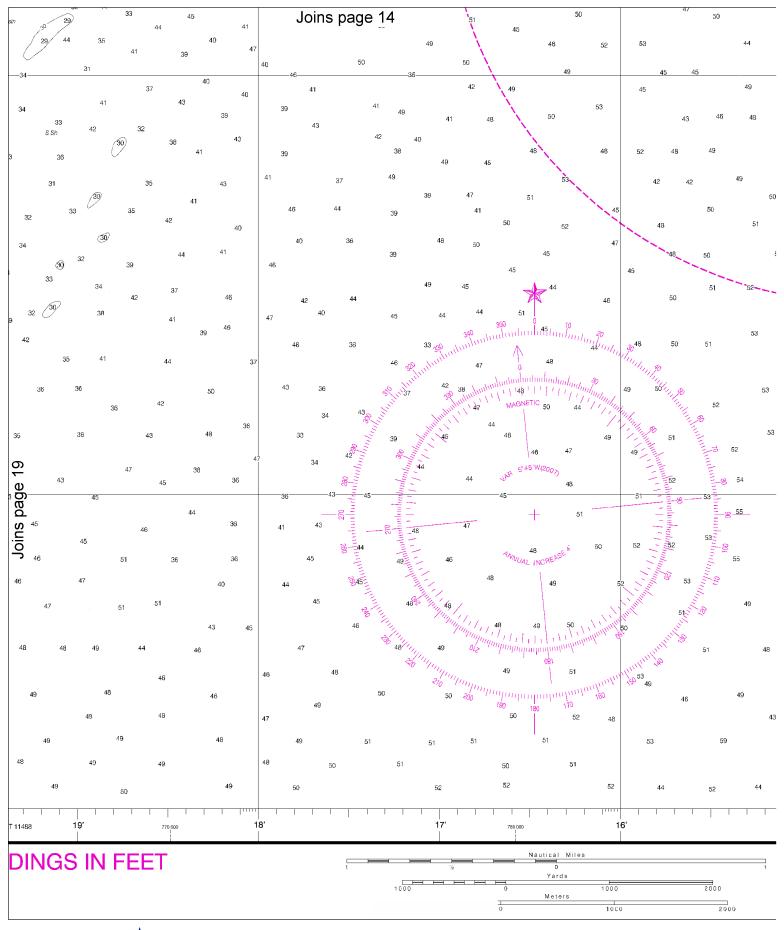








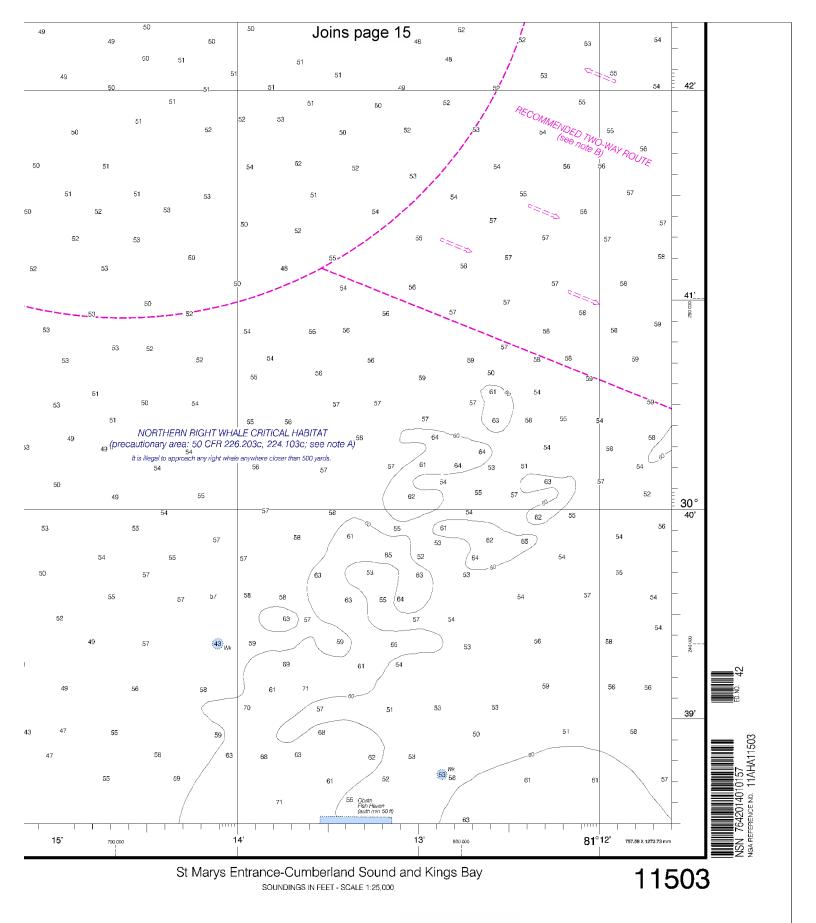












# **EMERGENCY INFORMATION**

# VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

Channel 6 – Inter-ship safety communications.

Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

**Channel 13** – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

# Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls

to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

**Channel 22A** – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here.

Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 & 78A – Recreational boat channels.

# **Distress Call Procedures**

- 1. Make sure radio is on.
- 2. Select Channel 16.
- 3. Press/Hold the transmit button.
- 4. Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
- 6. Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY Call.

# HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS!!

**Mobile Phones** – Call 911 for water rescue.

Coast Guard Brunswick – 912-267-9010 Coast Guard Mayport – 904-247-7350 Coast Guard Atlantic Area Cmd – 757-398-6390 GA Dept. of Natural Resources – 800-241-4113 FL Fish and Wildlife Commission – 904-270-2500

<u>NOAA Weather Radio</u> – 162.400 MHz, 162.425 MHz, 162.450 MHz, 162.475 MHz, 162.500 MHz, 162.525 MHz, 162.550 MHz.

<u>Getting and Giving Help</u> – Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.



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